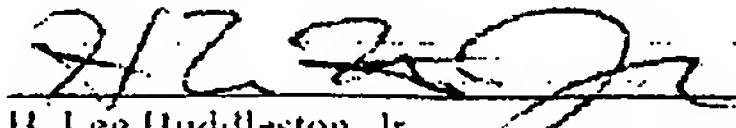


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		§	Art Unit: 3672
Serial No.:	10/708,338	§	
		§	Examiner: Frank Tsay
Filed:	February 25, 2004	§	
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For:	Method and Apparatus to	§	
	Complete a Well Having Tubing	§	
	Inserted Through a Valve	§	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Atty. Docket No.: RFI-01  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, applicant respectfully requests this application be amended as follows: